

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 18, 2019**

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Matt Aigeldinger
Scott Bomboy
Chuck Brooks (absent)
Aaron Clark
Randy Faulkner
Steve Pizzollo
Jim Purcell
Steve Rose
Jim Ryder
Ana McGrath (absent)
John Hollenbach
Andrea L. Coaxum
Glenn Dickerson
Jeff Garton
Erik Garton
Jeff Tulone
Megan Prusienski
Harold Stone (absent)
Sgt. Russ Closs

Youth Delegate

Mayor:

Borough Manager:

Finance Director:

Borough Solicitor:

Borough Engineer:

Public Works Director:

Parks and Recreation Director:

Electric Superintendent:

Acting Police Chief:

Borough Council President Jim Ryder convened the meeting at 7:00 PM. Mayor Hollenbach gave an invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC FORUM

Joe Ferry, Director of Development for the Perkasie Town Improvement Association presented Mayor Hollenbach with a Perkasie T-Shirt

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing was held to receive comments on an ordinance prohibiting turns on West Callowhill Street, North Fifth Street and Hunters Run. There were no comments from the public. Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Rose, the hearing was unanimously closed.

ANNOUNCE EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETINGS

Jim Ryder announced that Council had held executive session on November 12 and November 16, 2019. Solicitor Jeff Garton stated the purpose of the hearing was to interview law enforcement professionals for the new position of Police Chief.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Council Purcell, Council unanimously approved the Council meeting minutes of October 21, 2019 and November 4, 2019.

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

Mayor's Report

Mayor Hollenbach thanked all the people who volunteered their time this year and encouraged everyone to get involved in their community.

Taxes Collected

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously accepted the report of taxes collected for October 2019.

Budget Status

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously accepted the budget status report for October 2019.

Engineer's Report

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously accepted the engineer's monthly report.

Planning Commission Report

There was no report for the Planning Commission.

Zoning Hearing Board Report

There was no report for the Zoning Hearing Board

Police Report

Upon motion by Clark, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously accepted the October 2019 monthly policy report.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Public Works Committee Superintendent's

report for October 2019.

Consider Bid #2019-6, Mixed Paper, Office Paper, and Cardboard

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Bomboy, Council unanimously awarded the bid #2019-6 to Newman Paperboard for a one year term.

Consider Bid #2019-7, Commingled Recyclable Materials

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously awarded the bid #2019-7 to J.P. Mascaro for a one year term.

Advertise Ordinance #1025, Stop Sign Ordinance-S 9th Street, S 5th Street and Park Avenue

Upon motion by Clark, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously authorized the Solicitor to advertise the draft Ordinance 1025, an ordinance of the Borough of Perkasio Amending Chapter 180 of the Perkasio Borough Code of Ordinances pertaining to stop signs.

Consider Ordinance #1023-Hunters Run-Prohibited Turn Signs

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Aigeldinger, Council unanimously approved Ordinance #1023 restricting right turns from West Callowhill Street onto Hunters Run and prohibit left turns from North Fifth Street onto Hunters Run during certain hours of the day.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Electric Superintendent's report for October 2019.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Code Enforcement Officer Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Code Enforcement Officer's monthly reports for October 2019.

Code Updates Related to Brewery

Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded Purcell, Council unanimously authorized the Solicitor to draft an ordinance per the Perkasio Borough Planning Commission's recommendation to amend the Zoning Ordinance related to the following uses: Brewery, microbrewery, micro-winery, micro-distillery, brewpub, and tap room; to establish a reasonable parking calculation for the above uses; to add these uses as a use by-right in the C-2, I-1 and the I-2, except that facilities over 12,500 square feet in the C-2 shall be permitted by conditional approval.

Discuss Residential Building Height Use Recommendation and Height of Accessory Structure in the Town Center

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously directed the Borough Solicitor to draft an ordinance consistent with the Perkasio Planning Commission's recommendation on building height, including an increase in the maximum accessory building height to 20 feet for all uses, and to send the draft to the Bucks County Planning Commission for their review and comments in the Town Center overlay.

PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Park and Recreation Director's monthly report for October 2019.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Consider Request for Fire Police Assistance from Hilltown Township Fire Police

Upon motion by Clark, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved Perkasio Fire Police to assist Hilltown Township with traffic control at the Living Hope Community Church located on Route 313 December 19 through December 22, 2019 from 5:00PM to 10:00PM.

Consider Retirement of Police Officer and Create Eligibility List

Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously accepted the retirement notice of Police Officer Delia effective January 31, 2020 and authorized the Acting Chief Police Russ Closs to begin the process of hiring a police officer as outlined in the Perkasio Borough Civil Service Commission Rules and Regulations to fill the open entry level police officer position.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Authorization to Pay Bills

Upon a motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously accepted payment of the bills as presented.

Discuss Draft Resolution #2019-30, 2020 Wage Schedule

The Committee reviewed a resolution establishing the 2020 wage schedule. It was agreed to place the resolution on the December 16th Council meeting agenda for approval.

Discuss Resolution #2019-31 2020 Consolidated Fee Schedule

The 2020 Consolidated fee schedule was considered by the Committee. Members of the Committee agreed to put the resolution on the December 16th agenda for a vote by Borough Council.

Discuss Draft Ordinance #1024, 2020 Tax Ordinance

Upon motion by Faulkner, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously authorized the staff to advertise a public hearing to be held at the December 16, 2019 Borough Council meeting for an ordinance to set the tax rate for 2020. It was agreed to place the Ordinance on the December 16th Council meeting agenda for approval.

Consider 2020 Preliminary Budget

Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously authorized the advertisement of the preliminary budget for inspection by the public in accordance with Borough Code requirements, and to take all steps necessary to prepare the budget for adoption at the December 16th Borough Council meeting.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Community and Economic Development Director Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Community and Economic Development Directors report for October 2019 report.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

No business.

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

No business.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Scott Bomboy asked that a dedicated fund be set up for Council approval to receive donations for the Covered Bridge project.

PUBLIC FORUM

None.

PRESS FORUM

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Jeff Garton announced that Council was going into executive session to discuss the hiring process for the new Police Chief and would not reopen the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.



Andrea L. Coaxum
Borough Manager/Secretary